

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

In re: Watring, Marianne

Case No: 10-25417 JES
(Chapter 7)

Debtor(s).

**APPLICATION BY TRUSTEE TO EMPLOY GREG COOK LAW OFFICES, S.C.
AS SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR THE TRUSTEE**

NOW COMES, Virginia E. George, trustee of the above-captioned case, who applies to the Court for authority to employ a professional person, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §327©, and who in support states as follows:

1. On 4/9/10, an order for relief under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code was entered in this case, after the filing of a voluntary petition.
2. The undersigned is the qualified and acting trustee in this case (“trustee”).
3. The trustee desires to employ Greg Cook Law Office’s S.C. whose office is located at 309 North Water Street, Suite 160, Milwaukee, WI 53202 in the professional capacity of attorney(s) for the trustee.
4. The legal services to be rendered and the estimated cost for each such service are as follows:
 - a. Represent estate in regard to prosecution of claims arising out of a foreclosure and bad faith action with Baytree Bank. The attorney agreement is for 33 1/3% contingent fee of the gross cash collected plus actual out of pocket costs.
5. The trustee has made the following personal efforts to resolve this matter on her own:
 - a. not applicable. The case has pre-existing litigation where both sides have already answered pleadings and refuses to settle.
6. The applicant’s compensation will be as stated in paragraph 4 above.
7. The total fees for said legal services shall not exceed compensation set forth in

paragraph 4 above without further order of the Court.

8. The hourly rate(s) charged by the applicant is as follows is not applicable as this is a straight contingent fee case.
9. Gregory J. Cook is experienced in the matters for which applicant is to be employed and is qualified to represent the trustee.
10. In this case, the trustee has made the following efforts to obtain comparable services at a lower cost: Not applicable. The trustee wants to hire the existing attorney as he has special knowledge which will benefit the estate.
11. For the following reasons, the trustee believes it is in the best interests of the estate to employ the above-named attorney or firm to perform the services set forth at the cost set forth: Attorney Cook is qualified and competent to represent the estate and has demonstrated an ability to obtain a good outcome for the estate.
12. The trustee has read the attorney's affidavit of disinterest made pursuant to F.R.B.P. 2014 and to the best of the trustee's knowledge believes the affidavit to be true and correct.
13. No fees shall be paid to said attorney or firm except upon proper application to and approval by the Court.

WHEREFORE, the trustee requests an Order authorizing the trustee to employ the above-referenced attorney or firm in accordance with the terms and provisions of this application. The trustee does not intend to file a brief in connection with this application, but reserves the right to file a responsive brief, if necessary.

Dated: May 6, 2011

/s/ Virginia E. George

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